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LAW ENFORCEMENT SITREP ONE JA/STRL SACHI MARU 22, CLOSED AREA VIOLA

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MISTY MOON HALIBUT GROUNDS

A. USCGC CONFIDENCE 231719Z FEB 78 NOTAL

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B. CCGDSEVENTEEN JUNEAU AK 232014Z FEB 78 NOTAL

C. USCGC CONFIDENCE 232235Z FEB 78 NOTAL

D. FOREIGN FISHING REGULATIONS (50 CFR 611.93(B) (3) (I) (C))

1. SITUATION:

A. 231155Z USCGC CONFIDENCE OBSERVED SACHI 22 TRAWLING IN POSIT

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56-01.8N 170-09.2W INSIDE THE MISTY MOON NO TRAWL ZONE DESCRIBED IN R
EF

D.

THIS POSIT PLOTS 5.2 MILES NORTH OF SOUTHERN BOUNDARY AND 8.8 MILES E
AST

OF WESTERN BOUNDARY OF NO TRAWL AREA.

B. SACHI 22 LOG SHOWS THAT VSL BEGAN TRAWL IN CLOSED AREA AT POSIT

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56-03N 170-10W. THIS POSIT PLOTS 7.0 MILES NORTH OF SOUTHERN BOUNDARY AND 7.0 MILES EAST OF WESTERN BOUNDARY OF NO TRAWL AREA. SACHI 22 UTILIZING NAVSAT FOR NAVIGATION.

C. 231310Z CONFIDENCE BOARDING PARTY ABOARD SACHI 22.

D. 231320Z BOARDING PARTY FIXED POSITION OF SACHI 22 WITHIN NO TRAWL AREA AT 56-04N 170-15W UTILIZING SACHI 22 NAVSAT EQUIPMENT.

E. SACHI 22 MASTER CLAIMED SURPRISE AT BEING IN NO TRAWL AREA AND THAT HE DID NOT THINK THAT AREA WAS CLOSED UNTIL 1 MARCH BASED ON 1977 REGULATIONS. MASTER DENIED HAVING 1978 FISHING REGS ABOARD VESSEL. L

ALTHOUGH HE WAS AWARE OF CUMULATIVE CATCH LOG REQUIREMENTS AND WAS IN

POSSESSION OF 1978 PERMIT. FOLLOWING FCMA INFRACTIONS ALSO NOTED BY BOARDING PARTY: UNSAFE BOARDING LADDER, LOGGING IN CUMULATIVE CATCH LOG

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INACCURATE AND NOT IN ENGLISH, VESSEL WAS NOT DISPLAYING APPROPRIATE TRAWLING LIGHTS, THE VESSEL IRCS WAS NOT DISPLAYED ON AN APPROPRIATE WEATHER DECK, AND THE VESSEL WAS NOT MONITORING 500/2182 KHZ DURING THE REQUIRED LISTENING PERIOD. VESSEL OGS SHOW NO PREVIOUS TRAWLS IN CLOSED AREA.

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F. 232307Z CONFIDENCE BOARDING PARTY LOCATED COPY OF 1978 REGS AND CHARTLETS ABOARD VESSEL; REGS IN JAPANESE. MASTER WOULD NOT AT FIRST ADMIT THAT WHAT THE BOARDING PARTY HAD FOUND WAS THE 1978 REGULATIONS ALTHOUGH HE LATER ADMITTED THAT WHAT THE CONFIDENCE HAD FOUND WAS THE

1978 REGULATIONS. CONFIDENCE BOARDING PARTY ALSO LOCATED NAVIGATIONAL CHART DEPICTING MISTY MOON NO TRAWL AREA.

G. DURING COURSE OF BOARDING CONFIDENCE BOARDING PARTY OBSERVED HAULBACK THAT CONTAINED 120 NOMINAL 16 INCH HALIBUT, 9 CRAB, AND ONE SALMON.

H. 231400Z SACHI 22 DETAINED BY CONFIDENCE IN POSI 56-07.5N 170-22.3W

PENDING COMDT STATEMENT OF NO OBJECTION TO SEIZURE.

2. ACTION:

A. 231310Z CONFIDENCE BOARDED SACHI MARU NO. 22 AND DETERMINED VSL TRAWLING IN NO TRAWL AREA, MISTY MOON HALIBUT NURSERY GROUNDS.

B. 240359Z CONFIDENCE SEIZED THE SACHI MARU 22 FOR VIOLATION OF FCMA (16 USC 1857).

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3. FUTURE PLANS:

A. CONFIDENCE ENROUTE COGARD SUPRTCEN KODIAK, AK WITH SACHI MARU NO. 22 IN CUSTODY. ETA KODIAK PM SUNDAY 26 FEB.

B. ANTICIPATE PRESENTING CASE TO US ATTORNEY ANCHORAGE, AK ON 27 OR 28 FEB 78.

C. CONFIDENCE TO COMPLETE DOCUMENTATION OF SUBJ INCIDENT.

D. CCGD17 TO ADVISE JAPANESE CONSUL IN ANCHORAGE OF SITUATION AND OF NEED TO PROVIDE PILOT FOR THE SEIZED SACHI MARU NO. 22 UPON VSL'S ENTRY INTO KODIAK. UNQUOTE VANCE

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